LILLY ELI & CO Form 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * LILLY ENDOWMENT INC

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

LILLY ELI & CO [LLY]

(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

2801 NORTH MERIDIAN STREET

(Street)

03/15/2006

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

_X__ 10% Owner Director Officer (give title _ Other (specify

below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46208-0068

(City)	(State) (Zij	Table I	- Non-Der	rivative So	ecuriti	es Acquii	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3,	ispose 4 and (A) or	d of (D) 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
61-Common Stock	03/15/2006		Code V S	Amount 2,200	(D)	Price \$ 56.54	146,678,704	D	
62-Common Stock	03/15/2006		S	2,300	D	\$ 56.52	146,676,404	D	
63-Common Stock	03/15/2006		S	1,100	D	\$ 56.5	146,675,304	D	
64-Common Stock	03/15/2006		S	1,500	D	\$ 56.49	146,673,804	D	
65-Common Stock	03/15/2006		S	1,000	D	\$ 56.48	146,672,804	D	
	03/15/2006		S	2,000	D		146,670,804	D	

66-Common \$
Stock 56.47

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	.	ate	7. Titl Amou Under Securi (Instr.	nt of lying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owno Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
LILLY ENDOWMENT INC						
2001 NORTH MEDIDIAN CERTER		*7				

2801 NORTH MERIDIAN STREET INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46208-0068

X

Signatures

/s/David D. Biber, Secretary and Treasurer on behalf of Lilly Endowment, Inc.

03/16/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

Remarks:

This is the third of three Forms 4 filed by the Reporting Person on same date, March 16, 2006, representing transactions #61 tl Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure.

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